

MINUTES
SANDY CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Sandy City Hall - Council Chamber Room #211
10000 Centennial Parkway
Sandy, Utah 84070

March 7, 2006

Meeting was commenced at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT:

Council Members: Chairman Steve Fairbanks, Vice Chairman Linda Martinez Saville, Bryant Anderson, Scott Cowdell, Chris McCandless, Stephen Smith, and Dennis Tenney

Mayor: Tom Dolan

Others in Attendance: Deputy to the Mayor John Hiskey; Assistant CAO James Davidson; City Attorney Walter Miller; Community Development Director Mike Coulam; Public Works Director Rick Smith; Economic Development Director Randy Sant; Police Chief Stephen Chapman; Council Office Director Phil Glenn; Council Executive Secretary Pam Lehman

ABSENT/EXCUSED:

Mayor Tom Dolan

CAO Byron Jorgenson [surgery]

1. **OPENING REMARKS/PRAYER/PLEDGE:**

The Prayer was offered by **Boy Scout Isaac Yates** of Troop #353, and the Pledge was led by **Cody Eining**, Son of Lieutenant John Eining.

2. **CITIZEN(S) COMMENTS:**

- a. **Matt Shadle**, Homer City, Alaska Councilman and former Sandy City resident, 3547 Main Street, Homer Alaska, addressed the Council regarding changes made in the Development Code regarding Temporary Use Permits. He reported that his family owns the parcel of property located at 90th South State Street, where numerous temporary business have operated for years. He expressed concern that certain unfavorable uses could come into the City with the way the current ordinance is written. He indicated that his family has considered locating a nursery on the property, but have some reservations based on the requirements for a temporary business use permit.

Community Development Director Mike Coulam indicated that he would be willing to meet with Mr. Shadle to discuss his concerns.

Linda Saville requested a follow-up from Mr. Coulam on his conversation with Mr. Shadle.

- b. **Craig Boogaard**, 11256 South Foxmoor Drive, addressed concerns regarding the proposed reduction of bus service in the Sandy area, in particular, the Draper Central Shuttle, Routes 46/345. He felt the elimination of these routes would adversely impact bus service to Sandy residents who reside in this area. He stated that residents have done all they can as riders to encourage UTA to reconsider their proposal. He asked for the City's assistance in working with UTA to maintain the current level of service to this particular area of the City. He felt that with the high cost of fuel and environmental concerns, mass transit service is very vital to the community. **[Ref: Exhibit "A"]**

Steve Fairbanks indicated that he also has heard from a number of residents who have voiced their concern over the lack of bus service that is provided to Sandy residents.

Chris McCandless asked Mr. Boogaard when UTA's proposed changes would go into effect.

Mr. Boogaard stated that he thought the changes would go into effect on April 16th of this year.

Scott Cowdell recommended that the Administration invite a representative from UTA to meet with the Council in an upcoming Planning Meeting to discuss the proposed route changes.

Dennis Tenney asked that the Administration recommend that UTA use smaller busses for certain routes to help curtail costs and resources.

Assistant CAO Jamie Davidson indicated that the Administration would work with Mr. Glenn in scheduling a time for UTA to meet with the Council.

Chris McCandless asked Mr. Boogaard to write his request in a letter to the Council so that they have a copy of his questions and concerns when they speak with UTA representatives.

Chairman Fairbanks closed Citizen Comments.

COUNCIL ITEMS:

3. Police Demonstration

Police Chief Stephen Chapman introduced Lieutenant John Eining and Lieutenant Wimberly, both members of the Special Weapons Tactics Team. They presented a demonstration on the many capabilities of the Robot. Chief Chapman reported that the Robot was purchased with federal grant monies.

Lieutenant Eining thanked the Council for the opportunity to demonstrate the many features of the new Robot. The Robot is operated from a control panel and is equipped with 1100 feet of power cable, and a movement radius of 350 degrees. It has a lighting and zoom system which allows it to be used in night time operations and provides two camera systems in the event one becomes disabled. The Robot is capable of climbing stairs, opening locked doors, and handling gun fire. The Robot has the ability to grip and drag a person [up to 300 pounds] to a position of safety. It is also equipped with a microphone system that allows communication with individuals during a reconnaissance mission. The Robot can be used in searches which helps to eliminate the chance of sending individuals into a dangerous situation. Mounts can be attached onto the Robot where non-lethal force, such as gas canisters and rubber pellets can be used, if necessary, to aid in defusing a potentially dangerous situation.

Dennis Tenney asked how often the Robot would be used.

Lieutenant Eining stated that usage of the Robot would be based on the type of situations that arise. Thus far, the Robot has been used in narcotic raids.

Dennis Tenney asked if the Robot had the ability to detect methamphetamine gasses.

Lieutenant Eining stated not at this time. However, a device from the Fire Department could be attached to the Robot to detect if certain gasses are present.

Dennis Tenney asked if any precautions are taken to protect the 1100 feet of cable from being severed.

Lieutenant Eining indicated that they have not heard of any incidences where the cable has been intentionally severed, and that members of the S.W.A.T. Team are trained to use other tactics in the event the Robot becomes disabled.

Steve Fairbanks asked how many members of the S.W.A.T. team are currently being trained to operate the Robot?

Lieutenant Eining stated "at least two other members of the team are currently being trained".

4. Krinke Street Closure- 8585 South 100 East

Ordinance #06-05 - modifying the Official Street Map of Sandy City by closing a portion of the street at 8585 South 100 East and establishing an effective date.

MOTION: **Dennis Tenney** made the motion to adopt **Ordinance #06-05**, modifying the Official Street Map of Sandy City by closing a portion of the street at 8585 South 100 East and establishing an

effective date, also that a fee of **\$400.00** be assessed to the property owner.

SECOND: Linda Saville

VOTE: Tenney- Yes, Saville- Yes, McCandless- Yes, Anderson- Yes, Cowdell- Yes, Smith- Yes, Fairbanks- Yes

Motion Approved: All In Favor

5. **Funds Transfer: Fleet Purchases Fund (\$140,000)**

Resolution #06-15 C - increasing total appropriations within the Fleet Purchases Fund.

DISCUSSION: Public Works Director **Rick Smith** reported that the funds transfer from the Fleet Purchases Fund of \$140,000 was to cover increased fuel costs.

MOTION: Dennis Tenney made the motion to adopt **Resolution #06-15 C**, increasing total appropriations within the Fleet Purchases Fund of \$140,000.

SECOND: Chris McCandless

VOTE: Tenney- Yes, McCandless- Yes, Cowdell- Yes, Smith- Yes, Saville- Yes, Anderson-Yes, Fairbanks- Yes

Motion Approved: All in Favor

At approximately 7:40 p.m., **Bryant Anderson made the motion to adjourn **City Council Meeting** and convene into the **Redevelopment Agency Meeting**. Motion Seconded by **Steve Smith**. **The Council responded verbally in the affirmative to the motion.**

** At approximately 8: 23 p.m., **Dennis Tenney** made the motion to adjourn **Redevelopment Agency Meeting** and re-convene into **City Council**. Motion seconded by **Steve Smith**.

COUNCIL MEETING RECONVENED

6. **Legislative Update** (Hiskey)

DISCUSSION: Deputy to the Mayor **John Hiskey** presented an overview of the key issues that were addressed at the 2006 General Session of the Utah State Legislature. [Ref: Exhibit "B"]

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7. Approving the **February 21, 2006** City Council Meeting Minutes.

MOTION: Dennis Tenney made the motion to approve the **February 21, 2006** City Council Meeting Minutes as written.

SECOND: Chris McCandless

VOTE: The Council responded verbally in the affirmative to the motion.

8. **MAYOR'S REPORT:**

a. No Report was given.

9. **CAO'S REPORT:**

a. No Report was given.

10. **COUNCIL OFFICE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

a. **Phil Glenn** presented copies of the monthly calendar to the Council.

b. **Phil Glenn** reported that the Utah League of Cities and Towns Legislative Policy Committee has changed the voting procedure for Elected Officials allowing only three individuals from a City to be voting members [one from Council, one from Mayor's Office, one from City at Large] . Mr. Glenn noted that the Council would need to make a determination on who the voting representative would be from the City Council.

Steve Fairbanks indicated that he would like to be the voting member from the Council. **The Council unanimously agreed.** Mr. Glenn asked the Council to return their applications to the Council Office by next week indicating whether they would like to continue as a non-voting member of the Legislative Policy Committee.

c. **Employee Recognition Award**

The Council selected an individual, from several nominations, for their annual Employee Recognition Award. The award will be presented to the recipient at the annual Awards Banquet on March 22, 2006.

By show of hands, **three** Councilmembers voted for **nominee D**, and the remaining **four** Councilmembers voted for **nominee A as the individual to receive this year's Employee Recognition Award.**

11. **OTHER COUNCIL BUSINESS:**

a. **Chris McCandless, Steve Smith, and Dennis Tenney** informed the Council that they would not be in attendance at next week's City Council Meeting.

b. **Dennis Tenney** asked Mr. Glenn to please forward the Citizen Survey [sent to him via e-mail from Randy Sandy] to Mr. Gary Forbush.

c. **Bryant Anderson** reported that the Living Aquarium officials need to make a decision soon on locating in Sandy. Mr. Anderson felt that if the City does not show some interest, they may look elsewhere to locate their facility. They are looking at the old Mac Building on 7th East and 10600 South. The owner of the building indicated that they would accept the Aquarium's offer to lease the building. Mr. Anderson reported that the inside of the Mac building needs some inside work done in order to accommodate the Living Aquarium's exhibits. Mr. Anderson felt it would be a nice gesture on the City's part to offer some assistance in helping them move into this new location. Mr. Anderson reported that the Living Aquarium set a record attendance of 1500 visitors in one day this past week.

Dennis Tenney recommended that the City find out what specifically needs to be done before any decisions are made in offering assistance to the Aquarium.

Linda Saville asked Mr. Anderson if officials from the Living Aquarium had asked him if the Council would be willing to offer financial assistance to them.

Bryant Anderson indicated that they have not officially asked for anything at this point.

Scott Cowdell stated that it was his understanding that Salt Lake City had offered a piece of land to the Aquarium if they could raise the money to pay for the building. Mr. Cowdell asked Economic Development Director Randy Sant if he had an opportunity to speak with the Sandy building owner on the lease agreement.

Economic Development Director Randy Sant indicated that the building owner is set firm on their offer for the lease agreement.

City Attorney Wally Miller reminded the Council that approving any kind of financial assistance would be a lengthy process, and that the request would need to fall under the guidelines of a quid-pro-quo arrangement [something for something] if the Council decides to offer monetary assistance to the Aquarium.

Steve Smith stated that he felt uncomfortable in offering any assistance until a lot more information is forwarded to the Council and their questions are answered. He felt that a financial statement from the Living Aquarium should be submitted and reviewed by the Council prior to making any decisions.

Bryant Anderson felt that many of the questions the Council has regarding the Living Aquarium could be addressed when the Council tours their existing facility.

Chris McCandless stated that he loved the concept of having an Aquarium in the City. However, he was fearful that this could be a short term stay on the Living Aquarium's part, and that there is a potential for them finding a permanent location in another City. He would not recommend using tax dollars for something that is going to be a short term use.

Steve Fairbanks reported that the Council would be touring the Living Aquarium Facility at the Gateway during next Tuesday's Planning Meeting.

Bryant Anderson indicated that the Living Aquarium would provide dinner for the Council.

- d. **Linda Saville** reported that Chief Clough's wife had passed away. He was a former Fire Chief for Sandy City. She also noted that Fireman Jacob Beck's wife had also succumbed to cancer, and asked that flowers be sent to both of these families.
- e. **Assistant Jamie Davidson** reported that the State share or the 2% tax reduction on food tax would go into effect on January 1, 2007. Also, the Land Use Act would go into effect May 1, 2006.

At approximately **9:20 p.m.**, **Scott Cowdell** made a motion to **adjourn** Council Meeting, motion seconded by **Linda Saville**.

The content of the minutes is not intended, nor are they submitted, as a **verbatim transcription** of the meeting. These minutes are a **brief overview** of what occurred at the meeting.

Steve Fairbanks
Council Chairman

Pam Lehman
Council Office Executive Secretary xm030706.min